

Mansfield Middle School

Fourth Quarter After-School Activities, 2012 - 2013

Dear Parents,

Each marking period Mansfield Middle School offers after-school activities for our students. Generally activities run from dismissal until 4:10 when students may be picked up or take the late bus home. If your child would like to participate in one or more activities, please complete the accompanying registration form/permission slip in full, and send it in to your child's homeroom teacher.

Please note that many activities fill very quickly. While we make every effort to accommodate children's selections, **registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis.** Students will **not** be enrolled in more than two activities. Lists of students in each activity will be posted in the lower lobby and near the cafeteria.

Activities will begin during the week of April 15th and end June 6th, unless noted otherwise. Other schedule changes, when necessary, are announced during the school day. We hope that your child will pursue personal interests and explore some new areas through the offerings of the After-School program.

Important Note to Parents/Guardians:

The MMS Health Room closes daily at 3:15. (The school office remains open until 5:00 p.m.) There is **no nursing coverage** for after school clubs, sports or activities. If your child has a known medical need (such as; asthma, severe allergy, seizures, diabetes...) and may need medication or medical supervision after school, a parent/guardian must contact the school nurse in order to make the necessary plans or arrangements. The appropriate care and guidelines will be delegated to the supervising teacher or coach. MMS does not provide nursing coverage beyond the school day. These arrangements will need to be updated for each activity your child participates in each quarter. Call the health office with questions 860-429-9341.

Candace V. Morell, Assistant Principal

Mansfield Middle School After-School Activities Registration/Permission Slip

Please complete this form and return it to your homeroom teacher as soon as possible. **Activities are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.** If a first choice is filled, we will try to honor the second or third request.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY. FORMS NOT FILLED OUT COMPLETELY WILL NOT BE INCLUDED.

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Grade _____ Homeroom _____

Please list activities in order of preference:

1. _____ Day _____

2. _____ Day _____

3. _____ Day _____

I give my child permission to participate in the activities above and to take the late bus home.

Parent/Guardian signature

Date

My child would like to participate in one activity ☐

My child would like to participate in two activities ☐

MORNING MOVEMENT CLUB



Mrs. Cline

Join us for a morning of integrated movement where we ready our bodies and minds for optimum learning for the day ahead. Movement can bring about rapid and often dramatic improvements in reading, writing, language and mathematical skills. It is also used to enhance the quality of attention and concentration, memory and more. The activities are lively and fun to do and can improve academic success. We will meet on Tuesday and Thursday mornings before school at 7:15 a.m. or whenever you can join us! Sign up for both days or one day!

Maximum enrollment: 12 students

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS BEFORE SCHOOL

Room 313

HOMEWORK CLUB

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and/or THURSDAYS

Stay after school and receive help with homework assignments or come for a quiet place to work on assignments. Snacks will be provided. Homework Club is offered on the following days of the week:

Mondays with Ms. Hunyadi in Room 2110

Tuesdays with Mrs. Stratton in Room 308

Wednesdays with Mrs. Wilcox in Room 215

Thursdays with Mrs. St. Jean in Room 113

Maximum enrollment: 10 students on Monday, 24 students on any other day



COMEDY CLUB

MONDAYS

Room 306

Mrs. St. Jean, E O Smith Senior Caitlin Briody

Do you love to laugh? Come explore what makes something funny and write your own comedic script!

We will be learning about different elements of humor such as irony, satire, and comedic timing. We'll watch clips of various comedians and play improv games. Then we will write our own comedy skits and perform them for one another.

Maximum enrollment: 15 students



COMPUTER CLUB MONDAY MONDAYS

Dr. Robinson

COMPUTER LAB A

The computer club offers school-appropriate computer games or computer resources to work on school-related projects. Internet games are not available during this activity. We fill up fast so sign up early!

Maximum enrollment: 20 students



Grade 5 CT JUNIOR SOLAR SPRINT CLUB (JSS)

MONDAYS

Room 108

Mrs. Dickinson, Mrs. Flaherty

Design, build and race your solar car at the upcoming Saturday, June 1st Connecticut Junior Solar Sprint Race at General Electric. No prior experience needed. We provide the motor, solar-panel and basic parts. You bring the creativity.

Maximum enrollment: 18 students in Grade 5. First acceptance is for students continuing working on an existing car from the third quarter club.



MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB

MONDAYS

Room 217

Mr. Johnson

Come ride the challenging single-track trails around our school. Off-road riding experience is a MUST.

Bring a bike in good working order, a helmet (it's the law) and a water bottle.

Maximum enrollment: 16 students





MONDAY MOVEMENT

Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Holman

Join us for an afternoon of integrated movement. Explore balance boards, Lazy 8 boards and a variety of activities, such as Bal-A-Vis-X. Try using racquet balls and bean bags while on a balance board. Learn the three ball bounce, the simultaneous bounce and the two-by-two-by-two! And more! Have fun and move!
Maximum enrollment: 20 students

MONDAYS

Room 313



PINHOLE CAMERAS for Grades 5 and 6

Mrs. Moran, Mr. Burrington

Students will make a pinhole camera out of an oatmeal container and then take pictures with them. We will experiment with variables, such as exposure time, weather, pinhole size, and subject.

Maximum enrollment: 15 fifth and sixth graders

MONDAYS

Room 106

SCHOOL STORE CLUB



Mrs. Ottman

Do you enjoy coming to the school store? Do you want to know more about how it runs and have a say in what is sold? Do you have ideas to get more students involved? Come find out what it takes to run a successful store. We will explore inventory, profits, supply and demand and other facets of the store.

Students will have the opportunity to work in the school store during x-block as well. If our store makes money, the club will decide how to use it.

Maximum enrollment: 12 students

MONDAYS

Room 215



INCUBATING CHICKS for Grades 5 and 6

Mrs. Moran

We will learn about the growth and development of a chick embryo as we incubate fertilized chick eggs.

Students will candle the eggs and observe the shrinking yolk, growing embryo, blood vessels, and air cell.

No students will egg allergies, please.

Maximum enrollment: 15 fifth and sixth graders

TUESDAYS

Room 106

THE GREAT FOOD JOURNEY



Mrs. D'Addario, Mrs. Walton

Do you ever wonder where your food comes from? Or how it is grown and prepared? Do you want to grow, cook and eat delicious food? And also provide for those in need? Then join us for "The Great Food Journey," as we learn how food gets from the soil to our plates, both here in Mansfield and in other parts of the world. Please see Mrs. D'Addario if you have food allergies.

There may be a few field trips.

Maximum enrollment: 12 students

TUESDAYS

Room 115



JAZZ IMPROVISATION

Mr. Hart, Mr. Sharp

If you like music and think that you might like to learn Jazz, and if you play an instrument in the MMS bands, then sign up for this class. You can improve your playing skills, sight read and most importantly,

learn how to improvise on your instrument. We will learn and have fun! And you can meet some new friends with a common interest.

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

TUESDAYS

Room 220

PROGRAMMING COMPUTER GAMES/PRESENTATIONS



Mr. Burrington, UConn student Allen Rabinovich

Students will learn the interactive computer language “Scratch.” We will create characters, settings and even set up backup music. We will program entertaining and challenging games and presentations. You can be the designers, directors, composers and producers!

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

TUESDAYS

Computer Lab A



MATH COUNTS

Mr. Perkins

If you love math come to Room 202 on Tuesdays. We will be preparing for a variety of Math competitions including MathCounts and the American Math Competition 8 and 10.

Maximum enrollment: Unlimited

TUESDAYS

Room 202

MMS MILEAGE RUN/WALK CLUB FOR GRADES 5 AND 6



Mrs. Flaherty, Mrs. Hamlin, Mrs. Lund, Dr. Robinson

MMS Mileage Run/Walk Club gives you a chance to walk or run at your own pace. It's a way to have fun, be active, make a healthy choice, and spend time with friends. Students should come prepared to walk or run.

We will be on the MMS track, the trails and other places. Many times our therapy dogs will come along for the fun. This is not a competitive club. The focus is not on training for a race or attaining a specific speed.

Set your own goals, find your pace and get going with us!

Maximum enrollment: 50 students

TUESDAYS

Room 99



BOOK PUBLISHING for grades 5 and 6

Mrs. Achane-Miller

Choose one piece of writing from your Language Arts class: poetry, memoir, realistic fiction, or personal narrative and create beautiful illustrations or pictures to help bring your writing to life. When you're done, we'll send your written work with each illustration to StudentTreasures Publishing Company and they'll publish your work into a hardcover book. What a great keepsake!

You may use Wednesday's x-block if there are some Wednesdays when you are unable to stay after school.

Maximum enrollment: 12 fifth and sixth graders

WEDNESDAYS

Room 310A

Grade 6 – 8 CT JUNIOR SOLAR SPRINT CLUB (JSS)



Mrs. Dickinson, Mr. Burrington

Design, build and race your solar car at the upcoming Saturday, June 1st CT Junior Solar Sprint Race at General Electric. You will need to work on your car at home as well as in school in order to be ready for race day. No prior experience needed. We provide the motor, solar panel and basic parts. You bring the creativity. We will meet on the Wednesdays when there is no staff meeting. Listen for announcements.

Maximum enrollment: 15 students from Grades 6 – 8

WEDNESDAYS

Room 218



ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL

Mrs. Perkins, E O Smith Senior

Similar to Science Quiz Bowl, students answer questions about all subjects, including history, literature, science, math, and music. If you enjoyed Science Quiz Bowl you will enjoy this. We welcome new members. See what you know and learn new facts!

Maximum enrollment: Unlimited

WEDNESDAYS

Room 312

BETWEEN THE PAGES LIBRARY CLUB



Mrs. Tinnel

Get the inside scoop on what goes on in your school library. Help us out with behind-the-scenes activities such as creating artistic displays; trying your hand at daily library jobs such as shelving books; and help out with other special projects.! If you like books and want to do fun activities while learning some skills needed to work in libraries, join our club!

Maximum enrollment: 8 students

THURSDAYS

Library Media Center



CHESS CLUB

Ms. Bain

Learn the basics of chess or improve your skills and strategies for tournament play. You can work with UConn tutors to improve your game. And a class team is a possibility.

Maximum enrollment: 28 students

THURSDAYS

Room 205

COMPUTER CLUB THURSDAY

Mrs. Flaherty

The computer club offers school-appropriate computer games and computer resources to work on school-related projects.. We fill up fast so sign up early!

Maximum enrollment: 20 students



THURSDAYS

COMPUTER LAB A



FRENCH CLUB

Mme D'Addario

The French Club is for students who are interested in participating in French-related activities beyond the classroom. Students will organize a French tea time, celebrate "Le

Jour de la Francophonie, and a Mardi Gras celebration. Any French student may participate. French tutoring is also available if needed.

Maximum enrollment: 20 French students

THURSDAYS

Room 115



GERMAN EXCHANGE CLUB

Mr. Perkins, Mrs. Koropatkin

This club is **mandatory** for all 6th and 7th graders who will be **HOME HOSTS or SCHOOL HOSTS** next fall. All Home Hosts are required to invite/have at least 2 School Hosts (Home Hosts, please be sure that you take care of this before May 9th). Also invited is anyone who has

already spoken to Mr. Perkins or Mrs. Koropatkin, and any 6th grade student who completed an application for the program and is interested in being a School Host. Get ready for the adventure of a lifetime!

This club starts May 9th.

THURSDAYS

Room 315



MYTH BUSTERS/AFTER SCHOOL HELP

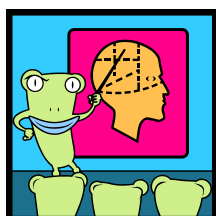
Mr. DiCicco

Come join Mr. DiCicco for some help on your homework followed by an episode of Myth Busters!

Maximum enrollment: 10 students

THURSDAYS

Room 102



THE SCIENCE FICTION MOVIE CLUB

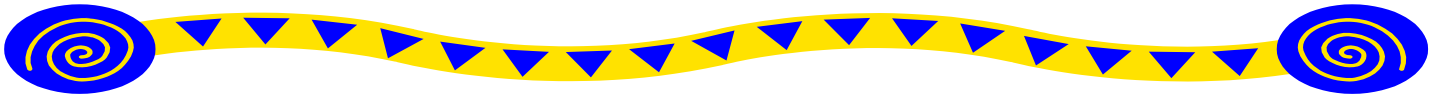
Mr. Hand

Come and watch some old science fiction movies. We watch classics such as "Them!", "The Crawling Eye", and "The Thing." We also watch some newer movies such as "Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow." Popcorn is provided.

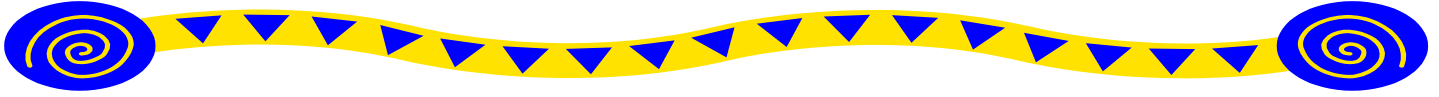
Maximum enrollment: 20 students

THURSDAYS

Room 304



AND NOW FOR AN EXCITING ACTIVITY THAT EVERY STUDENT CAN JOIN!



STUDENT COUNCIL

Ms. Poller, Ms. Brouse, Mr. Perkins

This is an official invitation for you to attend any or all Student Council meetings. This is YOUR organization and YOUR way to make a difference in our school, local and global communities. Come with your ideas, energy and skills and help make “MMS Cares” a reality. Snacks are provided. Bring your friends, too! Meetings are held EVERY Wednesday at noon in room 112, The Interest Center. We also have after school meetings on non-staff meeting Wednesdays. “Drop in” for meeting when you can, just let your parents know.

WEDNESDAYS, BY ANNOUNCEMENT

Room 202

Since this activity does not meet every week, you may participate in Student Council and up to two additional activities.